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The Search For Peace

BY WILLIAM EDWARD HARRIS, O.H.C.

ODAY there is a great deal of unrest and unhappiness on every side-"men's hearts failing them for fear and looking after those things which are ning on the earth." Now our hearts are n with the thought of the war and the fering which it brings. We hear the cry peace on all sides. All kinds of schemes peace are being brought forward but ce will not come by social or economic emes. What is needful is putting into practhe teachings of our Lord in the daily of the individual. The clamor for outd peace is so loud that it is apt to drown of the soul the still small voice of us who is saying to each of us: "Peace ave with you, my peace I give unto you, as the world giveth, give I unto you." Peace is spoken of about 260 times in Bible and has three meanings which

The story is told of Dante that he relled all over Italy seeking peace. At he came to a monastery and knocked at

be useful to us: Peace with ourselves in

ning how to control our unruly wills.

ce with our neighbor in learning how to

with him and to love him. Peace with

l in conforming our wills to His.

the gate which was opened by the porter. Seeing a stranger standing there, the porter asked three times: "What will you have?" Finally Dante spoke one word, "Peace."

The longing for peace is the desire and cry of every human heart: high or low, rich or poor, sick or well, saint or sinner. St. Augustine said: "Thou, O God, hast made us for thyself and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee." Yet for all that so few are willing to go through the long period of training and discipline in the ways which will lead to peace. The result is that many people are so confused and bewildered with themselves and with the world that they hardly know whether they are going or coming.

Many people seek peace for themselves in drink or drugs or riotous living in order to drown out and forget their troubles. This only induces a state of Nirvana or forgetfulness for a short time and when these people come to the "end of the rope" they are forced to cry out: "Peace, peace, when there is no peace." Others plan peace for themselves in getting their own way without any consideration for God or man. Not that these souls actively oppose God or

man. No, they just do not think about anyone but themselves. In consequence when these people get what they want through their own self-will it is found out that what was sought has turned into dust and they are just as dissatisfied as ever.

The most prolific and root cause of our lack of peace is in our thoughts. Many times if we would take notice of what we are thinking, we should know that they are thoughts that should never have entered the mind. The trouble is we have a wrong conception of our minds which we must get rid of. We are apt to think of our minds as a passive shore, washed by a tide of relentless ideas forever coming and going with no control whatever. But there is a truer and more hopeful picture of our minds.

The Resurrection was the historical channel through which God acted when He begat us again.

-Father Lionel Thornton, C.R.

Let us compare the mind to the immigration department of a great seaport. The immigration officers cannot stop people from coming to the port, but they can and do say who shall enter that port. So it is with our mind—thoughts are constantly coming to our minds and we can and should say what thoughts shall lodge there before they have time to destroy our peace.

Then there is fear which is a powerful enemy of peace and causes most human mis-



ery and unhappiness. Where there is wrong kind of fear there can be no thou of peace in the soul: fear of the atomic bor fear of war, fear of our sins, fear of failt fear of sickness and death—all these are structive of peace and show a great lack faith and trust in God.

You recall the occasion when our L and His Disciples went fishing on the la and a great storm came up, the wind ho ing, the waves dashing over the boat, Tesus, tired out with labor, asleep in boat. The Disciples began to be afraid the safety of their lives and wake Him in haste and terror crying out: "Mast Master, look at the storm, don't you c whether we drown or not?" Our Le calmly said: "Why are ye fearful, O ye little faith?" and He stretched out hand and said to the sea: "Peace, be still and there was great calm. When we afraid, seem to be utterly alone, forsal and there seems no way out of the difficult Jesus is saying to each of us: "Peace still, have faith, just trust Me a li and things will come out all right."

Suppose we were on a ship during a fie storm and the captain who had seen me such storms came along smiling and se "Don't worry, we are all right," our fe would subside. So it is when our Le who is the Captain of our life says to when we are troubled: "Peace be still."

On the night of our Lord's Resurrect He appeared to the Disciples as they we huddled together in the Upper Room, the hearts full of fear from the things who had happened, and said: "Peace be us you; as my Father hath sent Me, even send I you." His message of Peace wintended for everyone. Jesus wants us to have peace and not to keep it to ours but to go and carry peace to our neight

It's impossible to have true peace w ourself without having peace with our nei bor and peace with God. The three are int related—one cannot exist without the ot two. If we have no peace within our o hearts it is impossible to try to bring pe to others.

To be at peace with neighbors or th with whom we have to live, does not me

apply being able to live together and we no friction or misunderstanding; to the no interest in other people or to all that we have to tolerate them and act them as a Cross. No, that would be a ry dead, negative kind of peace, would ther do us nor our neighbors any good, at certainly would not be acceptable to be decreased. Every human being wants to be ought of, to be loved and made to feel to there is a place where he is wanted in home, in the school, in times of recreation, the Church or in business.

A positive and fruitful peace for ourself I for our neighbors would be that which ound in our Duty Towards my Neighbor pages 579-80 in the Book of Common eyer. This is a big order, but it is a sure of to have peace with our neighbors.

n the Sermon on the Mount our Lord: "Blessed are the Peace Makers." We paraphrase it into Peace *Doers*. Our d did not mean for us to remain passive ut this virtue, but to do something to about peace and to prevent occasions ch would destroy peace.

For instance we do not wait for a fire to be up so that we can put it out. No, we pare for it by seeking ways to prevent the So it is with peace. We are not to wait there is an "explosion," but we to be ever on the alert for ways and the sum of the which will preserve peace.

doration is the most selfless emotion of ch our nature is capable and therefore the f remedy for the self-centeredness which ur original sin and the source of actual

-Archbishop William Temple

he psalmist commands us to "seek peace ensue it" which means to go after it. Syrian version emphasizes the comd and bids us RUN after peace. An ent writer comments on this thought: saith not, if peace follow thee receive out even if it flees from thee, follow it. example if (which is possible for thou a man) thou shouldest have quarreled any, if he first invites thee to peace, peace follows thee: with joy receive



it. But if he being evil, persevere in evil, then peace is hidden from thine eyes; but do thou as a son of peace, knock at the door of peace—and this is to seek peace; say not, he was the first to do the wrong and ought to be the first to make apology. Thou art more glorious if, though injured ensuest peace, than if thou endeavourest after vengeance. Seek peace that thou mayest find the reward of peace." It is a waste of time to be on the "outs" with anyone. It is stupid, after a while you forget the cause and yet in that time you lose a friend. Also we miss so much and life is too short to be unfriendly with anyone. We all need each other but more than anything else we need God. "Where God dwells there is peace. When God dwells with man he has peace. God says: 'I dwell in a humble and contrite heart.' Therefore it is through humility that peace is found. This is radically different from the peace formula which is current in the world today. Its code is be aggressive, self-assertive, sweep all disturbing and opposing elements out of the way; then peace is established. This has been proclaimed long before our era but it has never worked, and never will. This is simply putting self forward to hide some inner unsolved conflicts. The humble man is not one who tries to put himself above everybody else. He knows it is not necessary because he knows God dwells within his heart and therefore he has found peace. The humble man's outer world is overcome and ordered by this spiritual and truly religious principle which our Lord commanded us to adopt: 'Learn of Me for I am meek and lowly in

heart and ye shall find rest unto your souls.'

The Prophet Isaiah declared that "there is no peace, saith the Lord, unto the wicked." Our Lord who is the greatest psychologist who ever lived, knew this and one of the last charges He gave to His Disciples was to bestow on them the power to be His agents to forgive sin, which is a great destroyer of peace and keeps men from God. Jesus knew that repentance and forgiveness of sin would restore sinners once again to God and bring peace to the soul, so He provided the Sacrament of Penance—that we might get right with God.

One night during the World War I the monastery doorbell rang. When the porter opened the door a Captain of the armed forces from a camp near Kingston stood on the steps. He said he wanted to make his confession as he had had orders to go into active service and wanted to make his peace with God before he went. The Captain came in, made his confession and left the next morning. We never heard whether he was killed or not. But he was ready for anything, because he had made his peace with God. We should frequently ask ourself,

"Am I right with God?"

There may be what the world calls storess and prosperity without peace. But we wants that kind of peace? Peace is an ward state and condition. One can be peace in a world of confusion, on a sick to for pain, in prison, in poverty or advers if only he has Isaiah's counsel within heart: "Thou will keep him in perfect pewhose mind is stayed on thee: because trusteth in thee."

It should be a wonderful thought of couragement to us to know that some sch ars have concluded that our great liturgi blessing which is said at Holy Communic "The peace of God which passeth all und standing," was written while St. Paul v in prison. How do you think St. Paul co write about peace while bound with it chains? It is because his soul had attain such union with our Lord that time a sense no longer bothered him. He now s all things from a supernatural point of vie So it is with us, the more we bring our into union with Jesus the more peace shall have for ourself and the more pe we shall have to give our neighbor.



A GENTLEMAN IN ADORATION BEFORE THE MADONNA By Giovanni Moroni (Courtesy of the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D. C.) (Kress collection)

Why The Cloistered Life?

By SHIRLEY CARTER HUGHSON, O.H.C.

HEN we speak of the Monastic Life, it is necessary for us to remember that it is only one out of many forms of secration to God and to His service in Church. It has for many centuries been ken of as the Life of Perfection, but we Il fall into grievous error unless we keep mind that all Christians are equally called attain to a life of perfection. In speaking the force and sanctity of Religious vows, must remember that no vow taken anyere, whatever its nature, can compare in nity and in force of obligation with the vs every Christian takes at his baptism. he Religious Life is therefore a vocation hin a vocation. The Religious professes of poverty, chastity, and obedience. exercise of poverty eliminates the almost vitable and disabling anxiety in which se who have to administer money and er worldly goods are liable to become inred. Chastity removes the possibility being bound by family ties which, good holy as they are, take from the soul the rammeled freedom of service which the igious is called upon to give. And the vow bedience affords daily opportunity, beyond ordinary, to mortify that self-will which ne root of every sin which has ever been mitted in the world.

ut as the Religious Life is a vocation in the vocation which is common to all , so within the limits of the Religious there are three forms of life to which s may be called. The Contemplative is that which is devoted essentially rayer and to the contemplation of divine gs. Whatever else may enter into such e is contributory, and exists only to set the conditions best suited for the conal work of prayer.

he Active Life is that form of the Reus Life the primary object of which is ursue external works of mercy and char-The third is the Mixed Life, which as name implies, embraces both the Active the Contemplative.

The Active and the Mixed Life are common in the Church throughout the Anglican world, but as Father Huntington used to say, only the work of contemplation can impart force and spirit to our activities. The Contemplative Life is given comparatively little consideration amongst us, and yet perhaps the Church and the world never needed prayer more than in our time—and perhaps there was never a time when men prayed less. One recalls Lancelot Andrewes, Bishop of the great diocese of Winchester, and one of the greatest saints the Anglican Church has ever produced, who was an important court functionary with a heavy and incessant burden of duties upon him. He declared, we are told, that he felt he could not carry the burdens of his day at all unless he had at least five hours of uninterrupted prayer. Who is there of us who echoes this complaint today?

If we do not think seriously of the Contemplative Life, is it that we do not realize fully the nature of the Body of Christ of which we are members? We find in the Body the principle of specialization. St. Paul sets this forth in the twelfth chapter of his first Epistle to the Corinthians. There he describes the work of the members of Christ's mystical Body, the Church, in an analogy, showing that the separate functions of the eye, the ear, the hand and the foot, the more comely parts and the parts less honourable, are specialized each in its own work and office, all necessary to each other, and all bound together in one Body, and sharing the one divine life of its Head.

In every organism, such as the Church, there is, and must be, a division of labour. Some are to work, and some are to pray. Some to be Marys and some Marthas. Some to be active in the world, and some to be as St. Anna of old, who "departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day." She was the first cloistered Religious.

The Church needs today cloistered com-

munities, men and women who believe in prayer, and will spend their days and nights exemplifying that belief. Like the world about us, the Church today is a maelstrom of social and administrative activity, all of which is good if it is not permitted to eclipse the one factor which can give life and spirit to this work. Many are willing to work, but are there many who cultivate that intenser and essentially necessary form of activity which St. Paul had in mind when he enjoined the Thessalonians to "pray without ceasing"; which our Lord commanded when He said that "men ought always to pray and not to faint"?

The crux of the whole business lies in the question of a devout nonconformist minister whom a friend of mine met in an English railway train last year. In the course of conversation, the minister kept repeating, "If we believe prayer to be a great power, why do we not pray more?"

The testimony of the modern mind, of the whole modern world, is that in order to do a thing at its best, it should be done in a specialized way. The human race has profited enormously by specialized work in science, in education, in industry, and in every other department of human activity.



St. Francis de Sales A Great Contemplative

Can it not profit by specialization in praye In France there are some eighty hous of cloistered nuns who have divided b tween themselves the various missions the French Church in pagan lands, a day by day a large part of their intercessi is devoted to praying down from heaven t power and wisdom of God into the hear of both missionaries and converts. The who know the vast world-wide missional work that the French Church is doing, w have no difficulty in divining whence motive power comes. It is the product of t unceasing intercession of these hundre of souls whose prayers for the conversi of the heathen cease not day nor night.

There has never been in the whole h tory of the Catholic Church a period, or country, in which God has not called m and women to devote themselves complet to a life of prayer. At His call they ha left all else for this steadfast work of pra and homage to God, and of intercessi for their brethren who are in the world.

Can it be that it is the will of God the this American continent, with its vast makes an exception the sofew calls should come to us? Is it that a does not want from us the continual server of praise, adoration, and prayer, which a has required of every other people in every other age of the world? Or, does the falie with us, that we have been so but with the clamours of life about us that have not hearkened to His voice?

The history of the kingdom of heaven earth has always showed that wherever m and women have offered themselves to G for the work of prayer, He has abundan blessed their sacrifice. In the Mother Chur of England there are near a score of hous of cloistered Religious where the perpeti incense of prayer, praise, and adorati rises to heaven continually. I am told th with but one or two exceptions, there are communities in England which are bei blessed with such increase as these. God h made a gracious response to the loving fering of these consecrated souls, and I called many more who are like-hearted help them in this work for the kingdom.

To mention two instances: During

ten years the contemplative Society of Love of God, founded a generation by the saintly Father Hollings of Cowley, required three houses in order to take e of its increase, and the enclosed comnities for women which observe the edictine Rule, such as those at The House Prayer, Burnham, and at West Malling, e had like blessings from God. Some rs ago when I visited the community at st Malling, I learned that they had so ly novices that they had to house them porarily in booths in the quadrangle, ll a new dormitory could be built, as e was not room enough for them in the ady quite spacious convent. Such is God's sing upon the work of prayer in other ls. Will He send a like blessing upon us e offer ourselves to Him?

There is no hour in the twenty-four when merits of Christ are not being pleaded bughout the world in such houses for the version of sinners, for the needs of the arch, for the perils of the nations, and the eries of the poor. They are strictly ened. No disturbing element enters there traw these handmaids of God from their itual wrestling as they draw down power blessing from heaven upon this disted world.

oo we really believe that our hurried and sant activities are of greater value than a prayer? To recur to the question of our conformist friend, "If we believe prayer be a great power, why do we not pray re?" And if we believe in its power, is to be counted a strange thing that those whom God has given such a vocation be need together that they might specialin this divine work of continual adoration to Him for the discours done to Him by the sin of man, to pray down His power upon the arch and the world, upon the souls of everywhere?

he Church has no lack of activity today, at is needed is men and women who will define themselves together in monasteries convents for the continual work of repion and intercession, like Moses whose easing prayer on the mount brought victor to his brethren who fought in the val-



HOLY CROSS The Great Cloister

ley against God's enemies. Moses struck no blow in the battle, but it was his prayer that made the victory possible.

Surely, there must be some in our land whom God is calling to consecrate the fullness of their life and spiritual energy thus wholly to a work of prayer, of intercession, of reparation and thanksgiving, undistracted by the pressure of external things, good and holy as these things may be for those who are called to them. Even if there should be but two or three who could be gathered together in His Name for this divine work, God might use it for great achievements in His kingdom.

Shall it be said of us as of Israel of old,—
"He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor"? In
every age, in every land, the Holy Spirit
has set his seal upon souls for the honour
and joy, the glory and the thrill, of this work
for God.

It is not in the market-place that this work can be done. It is not in the rush of the big and busy parish. "I will allure her," saith the Holy Spirit, "and bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfortably to her."

If there has been little response, is it because we have closed our ears to His loving call?

The Faith of a Catholic

By EDWARD N. PERKINS

WHEN the Anglo-Catholic leaves his place to go to the communion rail, he bends his knee to the ground, and again he bends his knee before kneeling down at the rail. This is because he believes that the Lord is mystically present and that the Lord's Being is in each particle of the consecrated bread and each drop of the consecrated wine. This the Church Catholic has taught throughout the centuries wherever she has taught at all. It is this which is called the Real Presence. It is the nature of a sacrament that by means of a material thing God comes to man. The bread and the wine are changed. They become the Body and Blood of Christ.

The great obstacle to faith in this mystery has been the sensual perception that the bread and wine remain as before consecration. The sceptic says that obviously there is no change. But consider one of the most familiar and yet mysterious of all things, a seed. A dried bean is a mere pellet. The chemist can measure, weigh, and name every element in it, as he can in the case of the human body. Yet in that bean, over and above physical ingredients, is a mysterious power which can not be detected by sensual perception or in any laboratory. Plant that pellet in the Spring, and it changes and grows into a living vine. Perhaps a way could be found to construct the chemical ingredients which go to constitute a dried bean, into a perfect simulation of one. Still it would be but a synthetic pellet, and not a bean. But if God in His providence should infuse into that pellet the mysterious power called life, it would be changed. It would be other than what it was, a thing of a different order. Instead of being a synthetic pellet, it would have become a dried bean which, on being planted, would develop into a growing vine. Yet the change could not be detected by sensual perception or in any laboratory. This is not put forward as an analogy. It proves that absence of perceptible change is irrelevant to the truth of the doctrine of Real Presence. The change of consecrated Elements is not of the order material changes. The correct understaring of the Roman Catholic term "Transstantiation" does not conflict with this. I Anglo-Catholic, believing the Catholic teading of Real Presence, which is the teach of the Anglican Church, approaches Presence in reverence and awe. Where Sacrament is reserved, he bends the knee reverence, not of a material object, but that divine Presence.

In every Eucharist the sacramental Bo and Blood are present. Every Eucharist a memorial sacrifice, representing to Father the one eternal Sacrifice of Chris sacrificial life and His sacrificial death Calvary, whereby Jesus, true man and makind's representative, makes atonement.

To offer sacrifice is a function pecul to priesthood. A bishop can do it, becar every bishop is a priest. The Anglo-Catho prefers to call a priest a priest rather th by some less specific name such as "ministed or even "clergyman." A deacon is a clerg man. Not only a deacon, but a lay reader an acolyte is a minister. In the celebration matrimony the bride and groom are the m isters. The Anglo-Catholic is conscious t the name "minister" is being fathered on Episcopalian priests through constant so intercourse of Episcopalians with Pres terians and others who deny priesthood deny the change of the elements in the Eu arist and deprecate the thought of Eucharistic Sacrifice in perpetual mem of the Atoning Sacrifice of Jesus.

If any instructed and orthodox Epis palian who calls himself "low church" e reads as far as this, he will have been a ing what the writer means by trying to m out that Anglo-Catholics differ little fr himself. If he has not been taught that Ang Catholics are a sinister group trying to liver the Episcopal Church over to Bishop of Rome, which is a familiar fa hood, he probably has been taught t

glo-Catholics are a queer lot who care y for genuflections and incense and gaudy tments and fish on Friday and all sorts of fusing elaborations of ceremonial. This er accusation requires some notice.

With respect to fish on Fridays, that is evant which is said above, that Angloholics obey the Church. The first pages the Prayer Book, numbered with the nan numerals, contain various matters, uding a Table of Fasts. This names the s of fasting and abstinence which, it is re stated, the Church requires observance These days are Ash Wednesday, Good day, the Ember Days which occur four es yearly, and every Friday in the year ept any falling on Christmas or the iphany or between the two. Hence no h meat on Fridays. Fasting is a good and I tried self-discipline. A more literal apliance with the requirement than a Frifeast of fish is, would be, for every Frir, a breakfast of toast and coffee, a light ch of one dish only, and nothing more il the evening meal, as is done on each of forty days of Lent. Abstinence from meat Fridays is a minimum act of obedience.

ust as athletes win crowns by their strugs in the arena, so are Christians brought perfection by the trial of their temptations, only we learn to accept what is sent us by Lord with becoming patience, with all nksgiving.

-St. Basil the Great

Another fact touching fasting and absence on the days named is that it is the ient and general way of the Catholic urch. The Anglo-Catholic wishes to do way of the Church, because he is conous of the one Catholic and Apostolic urch and of his membership in it and of place in it of the Anglican Communion luding the Episcopal Church. And this relevancy to the matter of ceremonial

Slanderers accuse Anglo-Catholics of zarre" ceremonial practices. This is a take. Insofar as the ceremonial practices Anglo-Catholics differ from those of Anans generally, they differ in the director of conformity to Catholic practice, which

is to say, practice generally followed from ancient times in the great body of Christian churches. "Bizarre" means strange and fantastic, far from the norm. But the ancient and general ceremonial practices of the Catholic Church must be the norm. It is the "low" churchman whose practices diverge from the norm.

The Anglo-Catholic consciously seeks the ways of the Church. A member of a family who, in the family life, insists on his individual ways at odds with the family ways, is a discordant element in the family, or so the Anglo-Catholic thinks. The use of the Eucharistic vestments is the universal and ancient and continuous practice of the Church. The ceremonial use of incense for certain purposes is both general and very ancient practice. And so it is with all of the so-called practices of Anglo-Catholics. They are those which were driven out of the Anglican Church, or nearly so, by the violence and animosity of Puritans. Anglo-Catholics are very conscious that the Anglican Church is a veritable part of the Catholic Church. They wish to do the way of the Church.

Similarly, the rule and precept of the Catholic Church requiring of all the people attendance on every Sunday at a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, is and always has been the way of the Church. The low churchmen lost it, and to an extent substituted the office provided for "Daily Morning Prayer," through Eighteenth Century apathy and sloth and the influence of Protestant neighbors and kindred. Anglo-Catholics seek to restore this ancient and, as they believe, essentially necessary precept and principle.



There is no doubt in the Anglo-Catholic's mind of the necessity and duty of unfailing Sunday attendance at a celebration of the Eucharist. Not only is that the way of the Church and the command of the Church, but the Church's reason for this precept seems evident. In the action of the Eucharist is worked out the faith of the Church. and so in the individual worshipers their common faith is nourished and kept fresh. The faith of the Church is that to sinful man, self-estranged from his Father in Heaven and unable of himself to help himself, came the Divine Christ enfleshed and made very man in order to reveal to man the nature and will towards him of God and, being man, in order to atone by His sacrificial life and death for man's sinful estrangement from God, and to found His Church and implement her with His sacraments for man's continued and continuous salvation. At His last religious meal with His disciples on the eve of His completion on the Cross at Calvary of His sacrificial life and ministry, He did those acts which led directly to the establishment for all time of the great act of Christian worship which came to be called the Eucharist. In distributing the broken bread, He told them it was His body given for them, and in giving the cup of blessing He told them it was the New Testament (covenant) in His blood. The next day He died on the Cross to rise from death on the third day. In the Eucharist are commemorated and mystically brought into action anew that sacrificial life of revelation and atonement, the two significant acts of that last supper, the atoning sacrifice of the

THE WHISTLING KIRK

Saint Andrew's-by-the-Green, Glasgow, was the first Episcopal Church in post-Reformation Scotland. It was built by Anglicans of all social conditions who met ir March, 1750, and resolved to have a chapel in the city. The mason was excommunicated for "the sin and scandal of building an episcopal chapel." This was the first Church in post-Reformation Scotland to have an organ for use at service time, and so it was dubbed "The Whistling Kirk."

-Church Times

death on the Cross. The sacrifice is cormemorated and re-presented to the Fathe and the sacramental Body and Blood are ditributed to the faithful. Through this nou ishment of the spirit is assured continuoneness of His followers in Him, membe of Christ and members one of another in t mystical Body.

To the Anglo-Catholic, to substitute Sunday mornings the office of Daily Moring Prayer for the Eucharist, is to tri with worship and with duty, an abuse leading directly to the cambric-tea religion ethical culture so common in Episcopalis

parishes.

To the Anglo-Catholic Holy Communic is the means to salvation because it is t means to full incorporation in Holy Churc and salvation is in the Church. The stateme that outside of the Church is no salvatid has been regarded with contempt by the whose idea it is that salvation is escape from hell fire. The meaning is supposed to be, the damnation is the lot of all outside the Church But that is not the meaning. From the ve beginning salvation of individual souls b been the work of the Church. In the begin ning, as now, the Church found herself the midst of a world full of the filth a cruelty of abundant sin and largely por lated by the spiritually ill. In the beginning as now, it was the work of the Church lead individuals out of the cruelty a bestiality and greed and obscenity of t world, and to give them through conversi the benign gift of abundant spiritual heawith release from those physical ailmen which, as we know well in our present wo of sin and neuroses, so often accompa spiritual illness. This is the meaning of s vation. Of course a final result of sustain conversion is permanent salvation, whi involves escape from hell. But the Churc claim to save is the claim that in the Chur the convert gains that health of spirit wh evil and sin destroy. The Anglo-Catholic l lieves that salvation is found in the Chur escape from pride and lust and all the supfluity of evil, and with it abundant spirit

The Anglo-Catholic knows of no reas to believe that all outside the Church :

lestined to hell. He thinks that such a on is not unlike the doctrine of John Cal-But he does not hold with those sentital ones who assure themselves that a of love will never cast out as lost even rottenest of mortals, wherefore all who nt are destined for Heaven at last. at, the Anglo-Catholic asks himself, can ilder do with a block of stone through midst of which he detects a destructive , except cast it out? In the valley of enna far below the lofty site of old salem, was the dumping-ground of the s offal and refuse, and at night could be the lurid glow of the fires kept burning estroy the cast-out matter. The Day of gment may be thought of as the day of ection and appraisal. One well may tremlest the inspector detect fatal flaws in and he be rejected and cast out. Who be sure of his own fitness? And who think that even God can use the useless? offal and the refuse must be cast out. I so the Anglo-Catholic believes in hell, igh he does not insist on fire or brimstone ulphur fumes.

he Catholic religion is not sentimental. Anglo-Catholic believes a religion of ifice. He comes to the altar with the y as a member of the Body to offer himto God with the rest of the Body. He is not think of coming there except as a for the Body, or of coming to receive not to give. There must be self-surrender God, and surrender to God is sacrifice.

The Christian sacrifice is the re-presentation to the Father, in the consecrated elements, of the atoning sacrificial life and death of our Lord. But that is not all. It is also the offering, through the self-surrender of the members, of the mystical Body of Christ which the members are and, by their partaking of the sacramental Body and Blood, become and remain. For the Anglo-Catholic there is no salvation without sacrifice. The Anglo-Catholic's religion is one of corporate worship and action, and of sacrifice, not sentiment.

The Anglo-Catholic repels the notion that his essential distinction is either ceremonial and pageantry, or an urge to submit to the extravagant claims of the Roman bishopric. But the Anglo-Catholic suffers while the Catholic Church is sundered, and he can not see how the wounds can be healed while Rome is disregarded, or how the submergence of the Anglican Church in pan-protestantism could do other than obstruct the hoped-for reconstitution of Christendom. Because he suffers while the Church is sundered, he longs for the closing of those breaches which result from the schisms of the Eleventh Century and of the Protestant Reformation. What distinguishes the Anglo-Catholic, actively aware that he is a Catholic in a Catholic body, is conscious and urgent devotion to the Catholic faith and way of life which are the Christian religion. His longing is to the diffusion of that urgent devotion throughout the Anglican body.



The White Harvest — Dallas, Texas

By Louis Haselmayer

UR Lord's command to preach the Gospel to all men everywhere was the impelling force which spread Christianity throughout the Roman empire within a hundred years of His death and resurrection. In modern days, this injunction is regarded by many as an abstract dictum with no personal bearing upon the lives of most individuals. Missionary expansion of the Church is thought to be the work of a few individuals who for curious reasons want to go to foreign lands. The only actual relationship that it had to the average communicant is the money placed in the red side of the Sunday duplex envelope. Church expansion at home seems to mean in most instances the presentation of a confirmation class at the annual visitation of the bishop.

Yet it is obvious to anyone who travels about the United States that Christianity is not the most vital force in the country. It is even more obvious that the contribution of the Episcopal Church to the spiritual culture of the country is a hidden treasure. One is able to count on the fingers of both hands the Episcopal Churches to be encountered on an automobile trip from New York City to Chicago. Even if one were to make the trip with a church annual in hand to enable one to discover the parishes hidden away on side streets, one would not need much more than a second grade level of numbers to perform the counting. It is an old, a very banal, and a worn-out cliché that the Episcopal Church is an urban institution. So banal is this cliché that it has lulled many into a coma of inactivity about changing this state of affairs. But the state of affairs does not have to remain this way. and the example of what has been done from 1945-1950 in one Diocese, that of Dallas. Texas, can serve to stimulate the activity of others.

Texas was made a diocese in 1849, three years after the admission of the state to the Union. Very early in his travels, Bishop Gregg, the first bishop, predicted the growth

of the northern portion of the state and sa that it would one day be a separate dioce Accordingly, the northern portion of t state was constituted as a Missionary D trict in 1874 and became the Diocese of D las in 1895. Three bishops have occupi the see: Alexander Charles Garrett (187 1924); Harry Tunis Moore (1924-1946 and Charles Avery Mason (1946-). T Church grew slowly in Dallas as the sta grew, but the Episcopal Church was unal to match the tremendous gains made by va ous Protestant denominations. In part, t requirements for an educated ministry the Episcopal Church left it seriously han capped when compared with the great man-power resources of certain Protesta bodies. With World War II, the Dioce of Dallas found itself in the center of o of the most rapidly growing sections of t country. Industries by the thousands we moving into the Dallas-Fort Worth are financial and business companies qua rupled over night; populations leapt tens of thousands; magnificent resident areas covered former prairie fields; si able towns sprang up at country cross roa The thirty-seven miles from Fort Worth Dallas was now traversed by two ma highways in the south and north of the citi and flourishing towns almost linked the t cities into a single metropolis. What h been a quiet ride through the country, n became a traffic problem of divided for lane highways and stop lights. Small c leges grew into large universities. Wood school houses were transformed into we equipped stone buildings. Skyscrapers dor nated the landscape around Dallas and F Worth. A new business, industrial, a financial center of the nation was born.

The Diocese of Dallas in 1945 had 29 me bers of the clergy, 46 parishes and mission and 8,741 communicants in an area of 3 000 square miles. The city of Dallas had for parishes and three missions. The city Fort Worth had three parishes and no me

s. Hundreds of towns had no Episcopal rch and no priestly ministrations. The cy of the new bishop was missionary exsion and to this primary purpose every rt was devoted. He saw that the time was , that the fields were ripe for the harvest. the number of parishes and missions, especially the handful of priests could not ibly expand the work of their own pars, and still carry the Church into new s and towns. But the vision was seen others, and every year since 1946 has the steady increase of vigorous young coming into the diocese, taking on small ion works, going into towns where there no parish, and establishing the Church. same years have brought a great inof young men of the diocese to a vocato the priesthood and diocesan ordinas have swelled the group. There are y jokes among the clergy about this exion. Stories are told of priests arriving ne diocese, being shown an empty lot, g handed a list of three communicants being told "Here is your parish." Huous remarks are made in the halls of the esan offices that the authorities should be told that two Episcopalians were d on a farm outside of town, lest a new sh be started the next day.

at this clerical joking merely emphain a light and frivolous way the tremenreality of the Church taking advantage very opportunity presented to it. One es that one could detail with names and es the self-sacrifice of young priests in y tasks at minimum and, in some inces, submarginal salaries. But their laare revealed by the bare statistics of th and accomplishment.

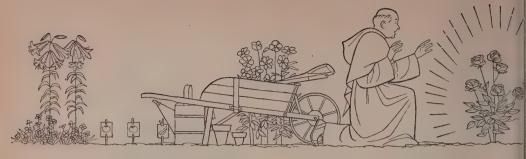
a 1945 there were 29 of the clergy in the ese. To-day there are sixty priests, a esan and a suffragan bishop, as well as cired bishop able to help with confirmations. Sixty priests have now increased the parishes and missions of 1945 into 29 shes and 38 missions. The city of Dallas grown from 4 parishes and 3 missions. The of Fort Worth has grown from 3 parishes and 2 missions, growth has included also the expansion



of the older parishes along with the establishment of the new. But these figures alone do not reveal the whole picture. For both Dallas and Fort Worth have developed suburbs, and the intervening towns have be come small cities overnight. In every one of these growing communities, such as Irving, Grand Prairie, Garland, Pleasant Grove, Arlington, missions have been founded which are rapidly approaching parish status. Services have been held in theatres, recreation halls, funeral parlors, public libraries, and private homes. Then before one could grasp the bizarre character of this scene, churches and parish houses have been built and priests were in residence. One group in Dallas became a parish without ever being admitted to convention as a mission, and has a vigorous parish life without church building, parish house, or rectory. One hesitates to give statistics on parishes, missions, or clergy for the numbers never remain stationary for more than several weeks at a time.

Beyond the cities of Dallas and Fort Worth, the growth has not been as spectacular. But old missions has been re-opened, and in every small city or town where there seemed the slightest possibility of work, missions have been opened, priests have been assigned, and the slower and infinitely more tedious work of converting the rural areas has begun. It is here that the greatest sacrifice has been demanded of priests in the way of long hours, heavy driving, many services, slow conversions, and small salaries. Yet the Church has established itself for the future. Over this entire period, the

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The Way Of Brother Philemon

By Ivy Bolton

BROTHER Philemon was digging. Not with his usual contentment, for his brown face was screwed up with care and perplexity. Around him was everything that he loved the best, for it was the evening hour and he was free to work with the flowers he loved. That garden of Brother Philemon was the joy of everyone in the Abbey of Winston Saint Mary. It was a sheltered spot where the earliest flowers bloomed. Shrines and altars were sweet with the tribute of the old lay-brother from early spring until the winter winds grew chill.

Brother Philemon's day was always strenuous. During those hours, he must toil over the crops and vegetables, but every evening found him here, weeding and watering, turning the soil with loving hands about his treasures. He had made the place a part of his prayer; the lilies belonged to our Lady; the violets to Saint Bartholomew, humblest of saints, the tall Canterbury bells were Saint John's. Marigolds and phlox, primrose and heliotrope all spoke to him of the blessed ones to whom he whispered a prayer for remembrance as he loosened the clods.

He was working now over the rose bush in the centre, the rosebush which had never bloomed to his great disappointment, for he had planted it in honor of our Lord himself. He bent over it now. It was strong and sturdy, its leaves were glossy—what? was there really a bud at last? It was indeed. Would it shrivel up and drop as some others had done. For a few moments, his eyes lighted, and then his face grew troubled again. Young Brother Maurus had said that absorption in plants and flowers was a sin, Brother Maurus, the most spiritual of the

newly professed who found time to this of the spiritual life of the old lay-brothe like himself who was so ignorant and po

Brother Maurus had been shocked find how little they knew of the ways prayer. No dark night of the soul; entrance into the cloud of unknowing; visions and ecstasies, what a deplorable st of affairs!

Brother Maurus had sought for the s and temptations which must be barring p gress and having found them, dealt faithfu with the old men. Brother Zachary was sorbed in pots and pans; Brother Philem in vegetables and flower pots.

Brother Philemon was thinking of wasted life now. Eternity was rushing and here he was so ignorant and stupid the somehow he could not make out when the night of the soul and the cloud of the knowing could possibly mean. What was to do?

He looked up to see Brother Zachs coming down the path, his wrinkled for full of perplexity. He paused by Brotl Philemon.

"The lilies look well, Brother," he said "They have never been better," Broth Philemon answered. "But I fear I he spent too much time upon them, time what I should have given to learning the way of prayer."

"This work is for the altar and shrin Brother Zachary returned. "I have be engrossed in material things all through years. I know nothing of the ways of praand now it is almost too late."

"Brother Maurus has been talking to j too?" Brother Philemon leaned on his h

"Yes. He showed me all my sin. H wonderful he is!"

low blessed is our Order to have such aster of prayer in his youth," Brother mon murmured and the two old men lost in admiration of their young intor.

What are we going to do?" Brother mon asked at last.

et us ask Brother Maurus," Brother ary suggested. "Here he comes."

other Maurus came across the grass swift step. He had meant to devote this ing to high contemplation, here were not duties. He had been talking to Bro-Peter in the infirmary and felt enaged. Brother Cyprian had listened to and had not snapped at him, which something gained. He had agreed that as a sinner. Brother Maurus frowned a as he caught sight of Brother Philes hoe. The old man was making an of his garden. And Brother Zachary gossiping.

was the first time such a criticism had made of Brother Zachary, the most siof all the brothers. Nothing but the direst ssity had given him power to express

elf on this occasion.

Ve were just wishing that you would e, Brother," said Brother Philemon, don't know what to do."

and yet you were idling over the gar-'Brother Maurus reproached him. is is a precious hour which might have given to prayer."

There were weeds," Brother Philemon deprecatingly.

What do weeds matter when your soul question," Brother Maurus demanded. ere is still time and still hope for you if you will tread firmly the way of the s. What you need to do, is to turn from tidols, you and Brother Zachary, give selves wholly to prayer and penance. Go seek the Abbot and with his permission aside the tasks which have proved your bing and give yourselves wholly to the ice of God."

e walked away and the two old men ed after him with admiration still in gaze.

it's a kind of hermit life we are to live," ther Philemon asked doubtfully.

Brother Zachary nodded and walked off to the kitchen. Brother Philemon stood looking at his garden. Sinner that he was, it was hard to give it up. Would anyone love it the way he had done? Slowly he picked up his spade and hoe and emptied his basket of weeds.

"If you want it, Lord, it is yours," he whispered. "Be merciful to an old lay-brother."

Brother Zachary went into the kitchen and looked around. Everything was in its usual spotless order. He lifted down one great pot after another and polished each anew. He looked to the stores and with dim eyes turned towards the Abbot's room.

"What is the matter with the lay-brothers, Martin my son?" asked the Abbot Hilarius the next day. Why have they desired so suddenly to become hermits?"

"The hermit life, my Father?" Prior Martin looked puzzled.

"Brother Philemon feels that he has a long

Confraternity Retreat

There will be a Quiet Day and Conference for all members of the Confraternity of the Christian Life at the DeKoven Foundation, Racine, Wisconsin, Monday, May 21st. The Quiet Daywill begin with Mass at 10 a.m. Because of the limited time, it will not be possible to serve breakfast. Consequently, there will be no communions at the Mass.

Dinner will be provided by the Sisters. The Quiet Day will end with Evening Prayer followed by a brief meeting at 3 p. m. The entire cost per person will be \$1.50—one dollar of which should be sent in advance for a reservation to the Sister-in-Charge, DeKoven Foundation, Racine, Wisconsin. Father Terry, O.H.C., will conduct the Quiet Day.

Although the Quiet Day is primarily for the members of the Confraternity of the Christian Life, all others who wish to attend are most cordially invited. and wasted life behind him; that he has failed to answer the call of the Lord, that he has given himself wholly to the things of this world. He feels that with my blessing he should give himself wholly to prayer."

"What nonsense!" the Prior returned. "Brother Philemon is a model to us all with his faithful work, his untiring attendance at the Office of the Liturgy in his willingness

to do anything for our Lord."

"It is not only Brother Philemon," pursued the Abbot. "It is Brother Zachary too. The old man is utterly downcast and wistful over his sins. He has failed our Lord. He has been absorbed with the world. He pleaded to spend the rest of his life in prayer and penance."

"Another of our saints, and what about

the kitchen without him?"

"Brother Peter, too, is bewailing his iniquities and is grieving because his infirmities will not let him make amends by penance and discipline. Thus far, I have heard nothing from Brother Cyprian, though he looked downcast and asked for an early interview with me."

"I cannot see that Brother Peter needs more discipline than he has already with six



years of almost constant pain, borne with complaint. What did you do, my Father, convince them of their foolishness?"

"It was not a time for convincing, a son. I have relieved Brother Philemon of t garden. Brother Paul is taking it up rath unwillingly not because he wants to probut from doubt that he knows how to the work. Brother Ambrose is wrestli with the kitchen and I am fairly sure the we shall all have an excellent opportunity fasting and penance in the next few day

"What has started them?" the pr

mused.

"May I speak with you now, my Father Brother Cyprian stood in the doorway.

"Come in, my son. What is wrong asked the Abbot, as Brother Cyprian kn beside him.

"I am a sinner of sinners, my Fathe he said. "I know nothing of the ways prayer. I have been wholly absorbed in f duties of every day. I have not shared in t experience of the saints—no night of t soul, no cloud of unknowing—"

"How has this realization come to ye

my son?"

The old man raised tired eyes. "I habeen walking in blindness all these for years, my Father. Of his mercy, God I sent me a guide at last. Brother Maurus I been talking to me and I see now what of Lord would have me do. Let me lay as my office of doorkeeper, I pray you, I Father, and permit me to lead the herr life."

The Abbot was silent for a few momen "Do you trust me, my son?" he asked to derly.

"Surely, my Father."

"Have you not kept the door for of Lord?"

"Why of course. Does not our Rule s that every guest is to be received as of Lord Christ himself?"

"And is it not an honor to open the gate Him? Do you not pray as you wait there

The tired eyes lightened a little. "Alwa my Father. There is so much to pray abo The sad and the sorrowful pass me; 1 joyous and the happy hearted; those w come to seek our life; those whom 1 troubles of the world are weighting the

n, who seem to forget that our Lord is thing over us in the darkness and the gers that seem to threaten everything. I have prayed into the night. But it is his I have made an idol. I have not that the higher ways of prayer."

Can there be a higher way than waiting our Lord's coming?" asked the Abbot. ere is no higher way of prayer than a union with Him and you have found at your gateway. Not all of us are called the night of darkness, to the cloud of nowing but each of us like the apostles ld can live close to the Master in utter t and self surrender. That is your call, son, be at peace."

he old monk's face had cleared. "I will back to the gate," he said happily as he ded the Abbot's ring.

So Brother Maurus is at the bottom of "Prior Martin cried. "Junior professed sual, my Father."

Yes, my son. We have all been junior essed in our day." The Abbot smiled iniscently. "I will talk to Brother Mautonight; in the meantime, will you keep very busy, Martin, my son?"

[will," the Prior promised grimly.

he day was very long to Brother PhileHe tried his best to follow the direcBrother Maurus had bestowed upon
but prayer and any joy in it had deded him. His heart was heavy with disagement, perhaps, after all, it was too
for him. He tried to turn his eyes
y from the vegetables which Brother
had been tending. The proper ones
not appeared at dinner but whether
he fault of Brother Paul or Brother Amse, no one could say. True to the Abs prophecy, the Community had not
d well.

rother Maurus was nowhere to be found Brother Philemon felt that he needed itual help and advice. He wandered into garden and stood looking at it. Brother

-Christina Rossetti



Paul had forgotten to water it and weeds had sprung up under the lilies. Brother Philemon bit his lip and clenched his hands together to keep from touching them.

Down the path came Brother Zachary

with lagging step.

"How do you fare?" asked Brother Phile-

"But ill, Brother," was the sad answer. Perhaps it will go better later on. But now I seem to have lost our Lord. I can't find Him. I tried to do what Brother Maurus said

"I hoped I would find him here," said Brother Philemon. "He has been doing farm accounts with the Prior all the afternoon. He was very busy."

"He is with the Father Abbot now," Brother Zachary began when Brother Maurus' voice was suddenly heard on the other side of the tall hedge.

"We have neglected the lay-brothers, my Father," he was saying. "They have had no religious experience whatsoever, no visions, no ecstasy, no dark night at all."

"Why should they?" the Abbot answered. "Did we walk as close to God as these humble old men, we should need to give great thanks, my son."

"Are they to be denied the heights?" asked Brother Maurus indignantly. "All they have is the mundane idea of service—of contentment with a garden, a gateway and a kitchen.

"My son, my son, beware of presumption and spiritual pride," the Abbot checked him. "Remember that the Master has room for all sorts and conditions of men. In the Apostolic band, he had among his chosen, Saint Philip as well as Saint John."

The white gate between them was sud-

I look to Thee while

Thou dost look on me,

Thou face to face and eye to eye.

denly unlatched by fumbling fingers, Brother Philemon and Brother Zachary confronted the speakers.

"Did Saint Philip ever find the higher ways? Did he have the night of the soul?" asked Brother Philemon eagerly.

"Did he have a gift for our Lord too?"

Brother Zachary stammered.

"His gift was as great as Saint John's," said the Abbot smiling. "He gave all that he had in love and service to the Master. You are finding the new way hard?" he added.

"Very hard, my Father. I am just an ignorant lay-brother," Brother Philemon answered. "I—I have lost our Lord and most times, he has seemed so near." Tears coursed down his wrinkled cheeks.

"What was the prayer that brought him so near to you?" the Abbot asked.

Brother Philemon flushed. "It was the garden, my Father," he said slowly. "Always I worked with Him. He was with me when I ploughed and harrowed; I saw His love in the sky and the trees and the flowers.



HOLY CROSS MONASTERY The Lady Shrine

He loved gardens too. I—O—well, flowers were all for Him and the bles saints—the lilies were Our Lady's and violets Saint Bartholomew's—the roses wall His and I prayed as I worked. It ignorance—it was childish—it was alknew."

"The childlike heart was what He love said the Abbot. "And you, Brother Zacha

how did you pray?"

"Just all day. He was there in the kitchin every task," Brother Zachary said dently. "I just gave the work to Him a He was there."

"That was what He wanted." The Ab spoke emphatically. "We are not all cal to the same way, my sons. Saint John had way, Saint Philip another; but both w dear to the Sacred Heart. Brother Mau here will be called to his own path but Brother Zachary, the road is in the kitch for you, Brother Philemon, in the gard Go on as you have done and seek him ther

Joy lighted the two faces as the old l

brothers withdrew.

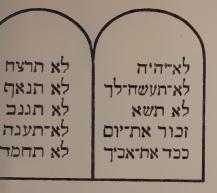
"You have let them go back to the childishness, my Father? They are not seek the highest paths?" Brother Mau asked in dismay.

"If you and I can copy the deep humil of these two old men, if we can attain constant intercession of Brother Cyprian at the patience of Brother Peter, my sperchance we may win to the heavenly contry—even in the lowest place—by the hof the prayers of such as Brother Zach and Brother Philemon, my son," said Abbot. "The lay-brothers are to be let alo Go and find your own path."

Deeply perplexed still, the young monk quiesced and the Abbot made his way back the Abbey.

Brother Zachary was speeding to kitchen; Brother Philemon paused by garden bed. He stooped to pull the weefrom Our Lady's lilies, then he turned the rosebush and his eyes lit with joy. I bud had grown and swollen, his fingers cled it gently.

"Thanks be to thee, Lord," he whisper as almost in his hand the bud opened. Cord's own bush had bloomed.



The Ten Commandments

By Loren N. GAVITT

Remember that thou keep holy the

ath-day. HIS commandment is one of the most remarkable things in all the history of mankind. Paganism and heathenism have never had any notion that human re has any dignity in itself, or that a is worth anything just because he is a This degradation of human life was reed in the way in which pagan and heacivilization forced the bulk of men to long hours, day after day, with no of break until, after a comparatively few s, they were literally worked to death. was an element of human society everye until Christianity became the state ion of the Roman Empire in the th century of our era. Yet the Jewish le were always an exception to this rule. Ten Commandments, given by God ne very dawn of history, set aside one a week when everyone, including sers and slaves, withdrew from their ordiwork and gave themselves not only orship, but to rest and quiet recreation. stupendous thing was accomplished by the organization of workers into labor ns to combat exploitation of the poor he wealthy, but by the simple fact of a venly Father who loves His children, vs their fundamental needs, and wills they live sane and useful lives.

eligion is sometimes accused of making demands upon men that, if these deds were fulfilled, life would become imible. Actually true religion does not de-

mand that a man keep God in his conscious thoughts at all times, or that he give up work, recreation, etc., and spend all his time in prayer and worship. While duty to God requires regular intercourse with Him in prayer and adoration, still the average man must live in this world, conduct its affairs, support himself and his dependents, feed and clothe himself, get rest and recreation, etc. In doing these things, he must inevitably become preoccupied with the things of this world. And whatever he is doing, the visible world is always calling itself to his attention, exerting a steady pressure on him through his five senses. He has no difficulty in believing that material things are real and his worldly duties are quite clear to him.

God and the things of the spirit, on the other hand, do not make themselves real to man through sight, smell, hearing, taste, or touch. While they are actually more real than physical things, man can be convinced of their reality only through his spiritual faculties. He must in some way get out of his ordinary circle of worldly activities and, with real determination, think about God and come into conscious relation to Him. Thus, at the very dawn of history, God bound man by an eternal decree that one day out of seven belonged to Him. Man could go about the things of this world for most of the week, at the mercy of the world's influences, but one day of that week must be set apart for God and the things of God.

From the beginning this "day of God" was Saturday—the seventh day—and the early Christian community inherited this tradition from Judaism. But, because our Lord had risen from the dead on the first day of the week, Christians from the beginning celebrated Sunday as a weekly feast day on which they offered the "sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving" of the Risen Christ. Before long the observance of the old Jewish Sabbath dropped out of Christianity and the Lord's Day took its place. The Jewish religion had developed a most elaborate set of laws which assured that no slightest sort of work was done on the Sabbath. However, our Lord Himself had not kept all these rules about the Sabbath, and they were never carried over into the Christian Sunday observance. So, although there was always a feeling that unnecessary labor should not be performed on this day, Christianity, on the authority and teaching of our Lord, considered this element of the old Sabbath to be more or less annulled. However, there was never any possible question about the validity of the old principle behind the fourth Commandment and Christianity always steadfastly proclaimed that the decree: "one day out of every seven belongs to God," was an unalterable part of the moral law under which man was created, and which he ignored at his peril.

Thus, as early as there is any record, Christianity considered it a binding law that every baptised member of the Church must appear before the altar on every Sunday in the year to offer the Holy Sacrifice and that failure to do so was a serious mortal sin. This law was reinforced again and again down the ages by the enactment of canons in every part of the Church. There has never been any sort of notion that a man can fail to participate in the public corporate worship of God on Sunday and still be a good or righteous man. All of this is reiterated by the Book of Common Prayer, which is our spiritual authority. From cover to cover, it takes for granted that Sunday will be observed by every Christian by assisting in the Church's worship. And the principle is explicit in the second "Office of Instruction" (page 291) which declares: "My bounden duty [as a member of the Church] . . . is to worship God every Sunday in his Church." As if this were not enough, our General Convention has enacted a canon which is binding upon all members of the Episcopal Church (Canon 19 of the 1946



code): "All persons within this Chu shall celebrate and keep the Lord's I commonly called Sunday, by regular 1 ticipation in the public worship of Church. . . . "

Of course, everyone knows the appal scandal in regard to this fourth Comma ment. Everywhere there are to be found called Christians who completely ignore provisions and have become so harde in their sin that they fail to see anyth wrong in their lives because of it. Actu this sin works itself out in a frighten mass of misery, both in individual liand in society in general.

Men find it more and more difficult believe the truths which God has revea about Himself because, week after we they are subject to the influences of world and material things without give God the weekly opportunity of making H self real to them. The problems of wor life become a frightening burden which i can hardly bear, because they do not above them on Sunday to see the events their lives as God sees them. Bored touchiness, bickering, quick temper, ne strain, fearfulness, worry, and an uni cedented number of mental breakdownsthese things are the special marks of day. All around us these things result broken homes, crime waves, heart-bre lack of quietude, wars. And it is all beca men have become so immersed in the thi of this world that they are drowning in bitter waters.

The fact is that man's nature, as it created by a loving Heavenly Father, never intended to operate entirely amount the material things of the world. Humature is constructed to function in wors of God. And by this Commandment (sought to assure a proper balance of materials) operation. When this element of the molaw is ignored, disaster follows as mit follows day—the disaster in which we fourselves today.

So we have the first four of the Commandments which the Saviour decla to be the "first and great" element of moral law. Man must forsake false gwhich he creates for himself and m

ship the true God. He is a God who ers, to whom man has real debts and gations and who must be approached oving awe, reverence and holy fear. debt to God is symbolized and made icit in the principle expressed by the th Commandment: viz., One day out of y seven is a day of worship of this aty God. There are elements of the moral under which mankind is created. The which we suffer, both as individuals, members of society, are not mere active. They are the inevitable disastinct follow man's failure to conform the laws of his being.

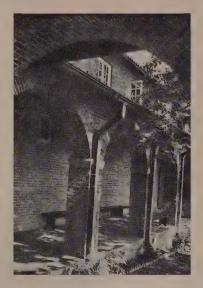
White Harvest

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nunicant strength has grown from 8,to 14,000 persons.

ut the diocese has not rested content

bringing the Church to people merely ugh parishes and missions. Every posapproach has been made through the tion of institutions. Two conference ers at Texarkana and Grandbury have obtained. In particular, the dion Camp Crucis at Grandbury has bee a nerve center of the Church with erences and retreats for every age p throughout the whole summer. Founons for social service work and diocesan nsion have been formed, and the Episco-Community Center in Dallas has come being. Parish schools have been opened hree parishes with good prospects of e in the future. Student centers at ges and universities have been started. erbury House and its Collegiate Chapel t. Alban has been opened on the very of the campus of Southern Methodist versity in Dallas. Here the Church can ster to its own students and have a hhead from which to influence the life he great university. One can hardly k highly enough of the interest of this hodist University in the Episcopal rch. One can mention the fact that the logical library of the university pures almost every new Anglican book. The book shelves and the periodical shelves is library have a more Anglican appear-

than some of our own theological semi-



HOLY CROSS MONASTERY
The Little Cloister

naries. Plans are being made now to reproduce this kind of Student Center at every college and university in the diocese.

But even more than making the Church available at established educational centers, the Diocese of Dallas has begun its own educational work. In 1946 the Bishop founded the Cathedral School for Boys in Dallas. It was housed temporarily in buildings leased from St. Matthew's Cathedral. Here for four years the Church was introduced to boys of all religious backgrounds as they received as well a sound college preparatory course. One of the greatest inspirations to those around the cathedral was the daily chapel service of the school in which boys of Episcopalian, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Church of Christ, and Christian Science background, joined in the recitation of the psalms and canticles, kneeling, standing, and responding with more vigor than many parish congregations. In January 1950 this school effected a merger with the Texas Country Day School, a secular boys' school in Dallas, to form St. Mark's School in Texas. In a successful campaign for a quarter of a million dollars which had the backing of every leader of Dallas business, finance, and industry, this new school now occupies the re-built and

renovated property of the old Texas Country Day School in the lovely Preston Hollow section of Dallas. It has started on its career of becoming a leading boys' Church school, not only of the Southwest but of the entire country. A priest of the Church is chaplain of the school, conducting daily Prayer Book services and teaching courses in religion, Bible, and church history.

The newest venture of the Diocese in the field of education was the acquiring in June 1950 of the title and property of Daniel Baker College in Brownwood, Texas, This college, founded in 1889, had been for sixty years maintained as a Presbyterian, Methodist, and private Christian college. It came to the Diocese without cost and without indebtedness. It is now in the first year of its operation as a church-owned, churchmanaged, and church-centered co-educational college. With fourteen acres of land and eight buildings on the edge of the finest residential section of Brownwood, a city of twenty-one thousand in the heart of Texas, with a student body of two hundred and a faculty of twenty-six, it begins its unique career as the only Episcopal college in the Southwest. The first year finds seven Episcopalians on the faculty. The daily round of Prayer Book services is maintained in the chapel, and students are required to take a year course in the Bible, as well as attend a weekly chapel service.

In the growing world of Texas, the Diocese of Dallas through parish, mission, social service institutions, university centers, schools, and colleges is seeking to make available the faith and sacraments of the Episcopal Church, fulfilling the command of Our Lord to preach the Gospel to all men everywhere.



Irritability

One can hardly suppose that any aiming at a really Christian life would fully indulge in irritability. One may fer with those we live with, but failing convince, let well alone and do not perjust strive to be quiet with those who it tate you. Any one professing to be devyet giving way to impatience and irritabilicannot fail to be a scandal to others. It real act of adoration to check, for love God, some angry impulse or dislike. It many roughnesses would be smoothed of life if we each resolved, even once evel day, to check some trifling act or word un-love, an act of love to God.

Think of our dear Lord on earth—wh can we ever find a trace of impatience irritability, yet how much He had to I and suffer. 'Wear velvet gloves in far life,' it has been said; in other words, to all who come near with a soft, unirritat hand, seek to avoid vexing any, and strive promote unity and concord with all. Passaid that while we were not irritated by who has a bodily halt, we are irritated by halting mind, and accounts for it by say that the lame man admits his neighbor was well, while the limping mind affirms that is right and his neighbor halting.

Probably nothing would tend more to press irritability than the thought that by we lose some measure of God's love for for our dear Lord was 'meek and lowly heart.' Life is full of vexations and contract tions, but they glance lightly off him w treats them as a means of lifting his heart God. A quaint old writer says: 'The way learn real submission is to know how to pr by little daily trials. Life is full of bri which give rise to all kinds of envy, bitt ness, impatience, disappointments, anxie which disturb the soul's peace. I say if a one would make a habit of watchfulness. offer all his petty vexations to God, acce ing them as coming from Him, he wo make great advance in the spiritual life, a in nearness to his Lord, and would be ma stronger to meet the heavier trials troubles of life."

-The Voice of Interior Per

The Order of St. Helena

sides the usual routine of convent life, Sisters at Helmetta have been birdning (they have seen a total of eightyifferent kids of birds since they have in Helmetta), making illuminated cards goose quills, learning first aid with a pof townspeople, practicing for Teneand hopefully planting spring seeds in andy soil.

rly in March the Father Superior vishe convent and gave the habit to a new

ter Mary Teresa and Sister Virginia with Father McCoy, our chaplain, Mrs. McCoy to Ventnor, Father's Mcformer parish, for a luncheon meeting Woman's Auxiliary. Sister Virginia a talk on the religious life.

e also had a three-day visit from our tant Superior, Father Kroll. He sanded us in between two missions.

t the really exciting incident in our er house occurred one bright morning a Sister set the stage by leaving a tinual of candle-ends on the stove to melt, going off and forgetting it. When she ned the tin can was spouting flames a small volcano. Trying to think of e safety rules at once, she removed the rom the stove to the back yard. And to make things safer yet, she poured into the can. The result was a minor sion which sent flames uncomfortably one who describes herself as "an innobystander." The tin can was split, but her damage resulted.

e Sisters in Versailles were not to be one in the matter of fire-fighting by the er house. At about half-past five one ing, just as we were getting dressed, us members of the community began by to accuse other members of having their gas stoves too high. The first down, however, was met with the of a blazing wall behind the stove in efectory. She seized the nearest fire exister and went to work. Sister Number arrived on the scene and called the fire tment. Number Three tore back up-

stairs and got her mouth open, right in the great silence—and on the stairs at that, and routed out the remaining Sisters and fire extinguishers. When the fire department arrived a few minutes later, they went tramping into the refectory with shovels, axes, torches, buckets, etc. They found the Sisters silently and efficiently finishing up the job. Smoke poured out of the black, smelling hole in the wall. Wet soot and extinguisher liquid was everywhere and the flames were out. "You certainly have done a good job; it must be your training. Most women would have been running around screaming." Praise from the fire department is praise indeed. At the usual hour we went thankfully to chapel for Lauds, very grateful that we had been spared a really bad

The spring term is well on its way at Margaret Hall School. Between semesters the annual Conference Week was held under the direction of the Reverend Reinhart Gutmann of Milwaukee. The subject was "The Eucharist and Society," and throughout the week all the students studied a basic course given by Father Gutmann on the Mass and society, and each student studied in addition a special topic connected with the Mass. Conference Week ended on the Feast of the Purification with a High Mass in the gym. The Sisters of the Transfiguration lent us their beautiful vestments—white satin with blue orphreys. Our chaplain, Father Tocher,



was the celebrant with Father Gutmann as deacon and Mr. Robert Gatenbee of the English department as subdeacon. Sister Jeannette's art group had transformed the gymnasium into a chapel. We used a refectory table for an altar raised on three steps and a large Christus Regnans in red and gold, painted by Ruth Wong, one of our eighth graders, hung over it. The windows were decorated with symbols illustrating the sacraments and their relation to our daily life and work.

Later in the morning a demonstration was given of the social implications of the Mass. Each group had its special student speaker, with the lower school providing definitions from the catechism in chorus.

Ash Wednesday was suitably ushered in by a rousing carnival on Shrove Tuesday with "concessions" of every kind. The biggest fake was "The Swimming Match." This event was highly advertised and those who fell for it were ushered down to the swimming pool with much ceremony. There they were shown a safety match floating in the water. "Ten cents, please!" Let it be ad that the proceeds went for good works various kinds.

One of the good works in question raising enough money to get one of the gof the local high school for negroes into hospital for a needed operation. Each y the boys and girls of this school visit us give us some kind of program, usu musical, so our students were especially cerned to learn of the illness of one of year's singers.

Father Terry, O.H.C., gave the studeretreat. He had about twenty retreatated After the retreat was over they had by praise for him because he was "complementation."

The girls were away for their spring h day until Palm Sunday, but the whole dent body helped the Sisters observe H Week by sharing in the watch on Mau Thursday, helping in the sacristy, and at services of the last three days until the glous shining out of the Paschal Candle the Easter Mass.



MARGARET HALL SCHOOL The Eucharistic Conference

The Library at Mount Calvary

It is our western base from which we it on the work of special preaching on Pacific coast. Last year we had engages from Seattle on the north to San o on the south. It is also the only retreat for men in this province. And, thirdly, home for four of us.

ith such work in mind, we have tried iild up a good devotional library. We about two thousand books, most of gifts from friends, and we try to keep ig to this number as we can afford it. our ambition to have a small library of t three thousand books, every volume of h is important. We have made a good with spiritual and devotional books. will not find much philosophy or aeses or psychology here. You will find s of teaching such as Dr. F. J. Hall's series on the dogmas of the Faith. will find Bible studies. But we need good commentaries. You will find ch history. But above all, you will find tual reading,—the great classics; the ation, the Confessions, the Spiritual bat, the Devout Life, the writings of Teresa, St. Francis de Sales, and the great masters of the spiritual life. We good modern writers. We have all of J. G. H. Barry. Our own Father tington and Father Hughson are repited, and Father Mackay and C. S. is.

nere was no evil in Paradise. Death, sickness of body and soul, come to us n. We are sinners, sick in soul, more or whether we know our sickness or not. It the worse sickness not to know that are sick.

—E. B. Pusey

Te have made a good start on spiritual raphies, but here we shall welcome addison. Has any one a spare copy of "The stest Saint of France," by Louis Foley? S. E. K. Saunders has written fine bi-

ographies. We need those. Have you any others. If so, please write us, giving us the names.

There is good religious fiction, such as "The Wild Orchid" and "The Burning Bush," and the books of Thomas Mann. We have almost all of the books of Hugh Walpole who wrote such stirring novels around the theme of the freedom of the human will. We lack the novels of C. S. Lewis.

Our books of sermons are rather old fashioned. They are good but dated. And we are woefully short in books of Moral Theology.

The Library is in memory of Father Leslie Hill, a Priest Associate of the Order.



OUR LORD APPEARING TO HIS MOTHER By Roger van der Weyden (Courtesy of the Metropolitan Museum of Art)

Intercessions

Please join us in praying for:-

Father Kroll making a visitation to St. Helena's Convent and Margaret Hall School, Versailles, Kentucky, April 7-11.

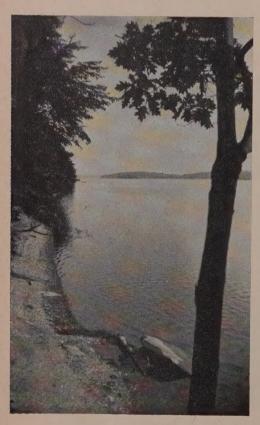
Father Hawkins conducting a mission at St. Paul's Church, White River Junction and St. Barnabas' Church, Norwich, Vermont, April 29-May 6.

Father Parker conducting an adult and young people's mission at Trinity Church, Rock Island, Illinois, April 8-15.

Father Taylor conducting a mission at Christ Church, New Bern, North Carolina, April 22-29.

Father Stevens conducting a retreat for the Canterbury Club of the University of Maryland, April 20-22.

Father Terry assisting Father Hawkins with the mission in Vermont.



THE HUDSON, LOOKING NORTH

Notes

Father Superior attended the clothin a novice at St. Helena's Convent, Helm New Jersey; conducted a quiet evening preached at the Church of the Good Sherd, Rosemont, Pennsylvania; preact St. Andrew's Church, Yardley, Pennyania; preached at St. George's Church, Schenectady, New York; preached Three Hours at Christ Church, Tarryto New York; conducted a retreat for Community of St. Mary at Peekskill, Tyork.

Father Kroll preached at Trinity Chu Waterbury, Connecticut; preached the Thours at St. Stephen's Church, Provide Rhode Island.

Father Packard preached on Thursevenings in Lent at St. George's Chu Newburgh, New York.

Father Harrison preached the The Hours at Christ Church, West Haven, Conecticut.

Father Hawkins conducted a quiet af noon at Christ Church, Greenville, Myork; conducted a quiet day at Grace St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, Maryla conducted a retreat at the Church of Resurrection, New York City.

Father Harris supplied as chaplain at House of the Redeemer, New York City.

Father Bessom preached the Three Ho at St. Martin's Church, New York C conducted a retreat for the Order of Francis at Mount Sinai, Long Island, N York.

Father Gunn preached a mission at Church of the Advent, Williamston, No Carolina.

Father Taylor conducted a retreat at Paul's Church, Carroll Street, Brookl New York.

Father Stevens conducted two retreats the House of the Redeemer, New York; preached the Three Hours at Mary's Convent, Peekskill, New York.

Father Terry preached at Trinity Chur Waterbury, Connecticut; conducted Three Hours at Christ Church, Bellpe Long Island, New York.

Father Gill conducted a quiet day at Gr Church, Albany, New York.

Ordo of Worship and Intercession, April-May 1951

Monday W Mass of Easter iii gl col 2) of St Mary 3) for the Church or Bishop-for just solution for conomic and social problems

Tuesday W Mass as on April 16-for the Confraternity of the Love of God

Vednesday W Mass as on April 16-for all in the Armed Services

Thursday W Mass as on April 16—for Saint Andrew's School

Friday W Mass as on April 16-for Christian fam ly life

St Anselm BCD Double W gl cr Alleluia instead of Gradual in festal and votive Masses till Trinity—for the Seminarists Associate

th Sunday after Easter Semidouble W gl col 2) of St Mary 3) for the Church or Bishop cr—thanksgi: ng for God's providence

St George M Double R gl-for the Church of England

Mussay W Mass of Easter iv gl col 2) of St Mary 3) for the Church or Bishop—for the Servants of Christ the King

St Mark Ev Double II Cl R gl cr pref of Apostles-for our native evangelists

Thursday W Mass as on April 24—for the Companions of the Order of the Holy Cross

Friday W Mass as on April 24—for those in mental darkness

Of St Mary Simple W gl col 2) of the Holy Spirit 3) for the Church or Bishop pref BVM (Veneration)
-For the Order of Saint Helena

oth (Rogation) Sunday after Easter Semidouble W gl col 2) of St Mary 3) for the Church or Bishop ex-for blessings on our crops and harvests

Rogation Monday W Rogation Mass V col 2) St Catherine of Siena-for the starving and dispossessed

1 St Philip and St. James App Double II Cl R gl col 2) Rogation cr pref of Apostles-for the bishops of the Church

St Athanasius BCD Double W Mass a) gl col 2) Vigil 3) Rogation cr or b) after Rogation Procession Rogation Mass V col 2) St. Athanasius 3) Vigil—for the Liberian Mission

Ascension of our Lord Double I Cl W gl cr pref of Ascension till Whitsunday unless otherwise directed for all religious

Finding of the Holy Cross (tr) Double II Cl R gl col 2) Ascension 3) St Monica W cr pref of Passionide—for the Order of the Holy Cross

Within the Octave Semidouble W gl col 2) of St Mary 3) for the Church or Bishop cr-for the Priests Associate

Sunday after Ascension Semidouble W gl col 2) St John before the Latin Gate 3) Ascension cr-for the Society of Saint John the Evangelist

St Stanislaus BM Double R gl col 2) Ascension cr-for the Church in Poland

Within the Octave Semidouble W Mass as on May 5-for the Confraternity of the Christian Life

St Gregory Nazianzen BCD Double W gl col 2) Ascension cr-for the Oblates of Mount Calvary

Octave of Ascension Gr Double gl col 2) St Antoninus BC cr-for peace

Friday W Mass of Sunday gl col 2) of St Mary 3) for the Church or Bishop-for the faithful departed

Vigil of Pentecost R gl pref of Whitsunday-for the persecuted

Whitsunday Double I Cl R gl seq cr pref of Whitsunday through the week-for Christian Reunion

Monday in Whitsun Week Double I Cl R gl col 2) Whitsunday seq cr-for religious education

Tuesday in Whitsun Week Double I Cl R gl col 2) Whitsunday seq cr-for Mount Calvary Monastery

Ember Wednesday Semidouble R gl col-2) Whitsunday seq cr-for ordinands

-On the days indicated in italics ordinary votive or requiem Masses may be said

From the Business Manager.

Pleasant Reading . . .

Not a few of the parish clergy send us copies of their parish magazines, bulletins, etc., and we quote from one: "The Holy Cross Magazine is excellent for those who do not have the time for much book reading. I think it is the only entirely devotional magazine published in our Church. I wish that more of you would subscribe." Thank you, Father.

The Little Chronicle . . .

This is the title of a small monthly folder published by the Order of Saint Francis, Mount Sinai, N. Y., and we always read it with interest. The articles are brief, timely and well written. Only \$1. per year. Write: Order of Saint Francis, Mount Sinai, L. I., N. Y.

The Living Church . . .

You will surely want to get a copy of a forthcoming issue of *The Living Church*—dated April 29th—as it will be devoted to the Religious Orders. Fr. Gunn, of our Order, is the acting editor of this special edition. There will be articles on the Religious Life, stories of the several Communities, and many pictures.

Word and Sacrament . . .

The ethos of sectarian protestantism, as the ethos of the Anglican Communion, extends from its doctrine of the Church. A very useful Tract on this subject is Fr. Haig Nargesian's WORD AND SACRAMENT which first appeared as an article in our magazine. We have copies at 7c each. If you order 25 copies we will mail them Postpaid for \$1. Cash with order.

Missa De Angelis . . .

The Schola Cantorum of Nashotah House seminary has recently made the only recording of this mass in English Single record (78 r.p.m.) \$2.50, and should be ordered direct from the Bisho Kemper Missionary Society, Nashota House, Nashotah, Wisconsin.

Be Prepared . . .

Day before yesterday we received a order for Tracts from a priest wh writes, "As the mail delivery seems to buncertain these days, I am ordering no for next Lent." In the same mail we received an order for Tracts to be use at a preaching mission next Septembe Not a bad idea.

Mail Deliveries . . .

Our March issue was delivered for maing at the post office on the 23rd of February, but bundle packages for Alban N. Y., and Chicago were not delivered until March 16th. Ho hum.

God and Arithmetic . . .

"God gives man what he really needs one wife. Man and wife may not leave each other. God and arithmetic say: Or woman for one man." This is a set tion heading from Fr. Bessom's TH STORY OF GOD'S PEOPLE, an should give you an idea of the sound clear and wise teaching to be found in the book. Written for Africans, it contain many lessons still unlearned by "more cultured" peoples.

Ouch . . .

Asked how she enjoyed her visit to session of the UN, a teen-ager replie "Well, they certainly talked enough, but didn't seem to do anything. Somethin like the Church."

Cordially yours,
FATHER DRAK